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## Comity and Delegates.

Gaynor boomers are spying out the land in Ohio. Under the impression-the the mayor of New York. They do not believe that Gov. Harmon, even if reactivity right in the Harmon bailiwick for the man of their choice.

This is against comity. For the present should continue to keep their distance,

And as outsiders should keep out of Ohio, they should do likewise as reannounced for 1912, but it is not neces- 1900, 13,700,000. sary that he do so to fill a large space in the presidential speculation.

date for the next democratic presidenfive states need be withdrawn from entry and their natural resources conserved for favorite sons.

Politics, at best, is a warm game. no reason why there should not be an exchange of courtesies on the part of both presidential aspirants and their supporters, and good feeling estab-

Spanish Unrest. Conditions in Spain are disquieting. An executed last year for complicity in the great prisons adds to the uneasiness of the public. Relations between the Vatican and the government remain strained, despite the acquiescence of the church in tually dissolves the traditional compact

A revolutionary sentiment always exists | landing. in Spain. The monarchy has survived several outbreaks, but is today in none too firm a position. King Alfonso's hold on his country is as strong as possible in contented, poor, ignorant people. Combustible materials lie ready for ignition. and when the crisis comes the issue will depend, not upon any personal qualities of the ruler, nor upon any traditions of but upon the preparedness of the government in terms of powder and ball to check with a firm hand the forces of disorder and disorganization.

## President Schurman.

President Schurman of Cornell for Govshould be protected from the overtures ficiary of the tariff. and wiles of the politicians. They are important institutions, and the men presiding over them are doing important work. can manage to run along securely no Politics is a great field, but is best tilled by those trained to the work. The transfer of men like Wilson and Schurman from the field of education to that of politics would be without reward to them and a loss to the public

Insurgents who hesitate about organizand well established trade mark.

it will be difficult for Col. Roosevelt to disappointing somebody,

Even thus early in his presidential What the people of this country sadly need is a little medicine to cure their hysteria. Have the doctors and underanother nomination are pretty thoroughly takers no rights that should be respected? the friend.

understood.

any international complications

## Mr. Bryan Visits Mr. Watterson.

he might yet reach the goal.

into Ohio, where another large audience ence instead of being dreaded and fought heard him. The Buckeye brewers and as a pestilence. of their Hoosier brethren to the peerless transmission the scientific men have uning popular interest in him. The people parently groping for the truth, but in

of Ohio flock by the thousands to his fact proceeding systematically. There has

But more important than these two the milk successively as the typhoid visits was Mr. Bryan's stay of a few medium. It is known to be a fact today hours in Kentucky. New Albany is an that the typhoid germ is borne both by across-the-river suburb of Louisville, and, water and by milk, and also that the as all the world knows, Louisville is the fly carries it. Furthermore, it is known home of Henry Watterson. There it is that it is conveyed into the human system that Mr. Watterson edits a newspaper by means of uncooked vegetables taken having a large southern circulation, and from polluted soil and uncooked oysters at times makes it quite as lively, for his fattened near the mouths of sewers. Typhoid The Evening Star Newspape: Company. own side as the other. He has more immunity is gained only by observing trouble. Its aristocratic leather case, than once made it lively for Mr. Bryan. | numerous precautions, and that of keeping At present, however, Mr. Watterson flies away from the food is the easiest Troublesome and Mr. Bryan are on good terms, and and most effective.

the latter called on the former while in cess again in 1912.

dential race. As to the democratic can- and the undertakers. didate he would give no opinion, declarabsence letters to THE STAR ing it too early to discuss the question. should not be addressed to any individual con- He doubts if any speculation will be of

nome as reported, these men are moving Mr. Bryan learned much in the way of a man who was one of Mr. Cleveland's to The Star, and experience has enabled in that important territory in behalf of tariff difficulties, and Mr. Clark might advisers and nearest friends. learn of him as to hoeing a hard row.

## Our "Ninety Millions."

For several years public speakers have if defeated in November he will drop out in the glow of their oratory referred of the presidential equation. Hence their roundly to the "ninety millions" of American citizens constituting this nation. This has been a euphemism of eloquence, an advance guess at the results of the ator, and seems to believe that the choice excellent table. But the railway cars of at least Ohio, in the matter of the presi- federal census founded upon hope. There would not fall on Mr. Smith. dential nomination, should be conceded to is a good reason to believe that this hope Should Dr. Wilson be nominated and that it is necessary to carry a camp stool Let boomers for other aspir- was well based. The population enu- elected Governor of New Jersey this year ants keep out. Let Gaynor men, Mar- merated in 1900 was 76,303,387. To reach largely through the aid of Mr. Smith, and Bryan men, respect state the ninety-million mark would call for an a democratic legislature be chosen withrights. It will be time enough for them increase of 13,700,000. This would be al- out senatorial instructions, he might find to consider and invade Ohio if the state most exactly the numerical increase from himself in the plight of Mr. Cleveland in governor a second term. If 1890 to 1900, and inasmuch as the actual the winter of 1893 as to the New York term is granted, then they advance has decennially progressed with senatorship of that year. In their sweep one exception in every decade since the of New York the previous November the for in that event the Buckeye democrats first census was taken in 1790 it is a fair democrats had carried the legislature, and will undoubtedly present Gov. Harmon's assumption that the 1910 count will as- now had a senatorship at their disposal, suredly bring the total to the point so The choice of the machine was Edward proudly proclaimed in advance by many Murphy, jr., who had been a power in prophetic patriots.

spects Indiana, New York and Nebraska. showed a population in round numbers land frowned upon Mr. Murphy's ambi-In the Hoosier state is Gov. Marshall, of 3,900,000. The increases from that tion, and insisted that so important an with ear to the ground, and hoping. In point onward were as follows: From 1790 office should go to a man better qualified good start in office, and a clear eye for 900,000; from 1810 to 1820, 2,400,000; from the choice was not for Mr. Cleveland to the main chance. And if a democrat is 1820 to 1830, 3,200,000; from 1830 to 1840, elected governor in November, a second 4,200,000; from 1840 to 1850, 6,000,000; from New Yorker will enter the lists. In 1850 to 1860, 8,200,000; from 1860 to 1870, Nebraska is, of course, Mr. Bryan-al- 7,100,000; from 1870 to 1880, 11,600,000; for the presidency. Mr. Murphy was ways to be reckoned with. He has not from 1880 to 1890, 12,500,000; from 1890 to

The preliminary reports that are being made public by the census bureau of The states not "posted"—where there town and county populations indicate maare no presidential figures so far as terial increases in all cases. Heavy per-1912 is concerned—are numerous, and centages of gain are scored by some of democratic machine will not listen to him boomers will find plenty of elbow room. the cities. It would be unsafe, however, later should he insist that a better qual-The whole south is open. New England to assume from this circumstance that lifted man with a better record than Mr. is inviting. No matter what may hap- the ratio of federal increase is in a way Smith be elected senator. If it controls pen in the northwest this year, a candi- to be advanced appreciably. It is pos- the legislature it will bestow the senatortial nomination will not be developed "city drift," which has been for some sympathy with its own notions about polin that quarter. So that only four or decades in evidence, will play an imrecent past. Returns from the farming districts must be awaited before any computation is permissible regarding the slower than the city figures.

Judging from all appearances, the national population will be somewhere between ninety-one millions and ninety-five reaching 100,000,000, as has been lately title of colonel. suggested by enthusiastic students of the count. Nor is there any particular reason to wish for that figure. This is a growing country and its attainment of the hundred-million mark will very soon be reached, perhaps too soon for the good Barcelona riots, indicates that the radi- of the nation. The point of saturation cal propaganda is still active in King Al- is yet far distant as regards the entire fonso's domain. A revolt in one of the area of the United States, but in some places it has been passed. The chief problem of today is to effect a more even distribution of the population by spreading the newcomers from other countries much conversation as heat and humidity. the new arrangement whereby Spain vir- throughout the smaller cities and the urban area instead of permitting them to settle in the places of their initial

> Recent negotiations tend to confirm general impression that the Pennsylvania railroad is an exceptionally well organized enterprise with a remarkably intelligent corps of employes.

people who assumed that he felt the need lars." of any sympathy.

Even though he has suffered very little at their hands Mr. Fairbanks does not hesitate to register his earnest disapproval of "muckrakers."

The summer hotel proprietor manages to lay by a bank account without inviternor of New York. Our universities ing insinuations that he is a special bene-

> It appears that this great government matter who goes to Europe.

## Flies and Hysteria. The Star has received the following let-

ject of the anti-fly crusade: "What a shame for you to abuse the poor little fly the way that you do! Do ing a new party are sufficiently practi- you wish to scare us all to death? The cal to recognize the value of a reputable statements published in Monday's paper teacher. relative to flies are enough to throw one into spasms. Whither shall we fly for safety? If one-half that you say concern-It is pretty generally conceded that ing the death-dealing qualities of the fly be true the world would be depopulated has instead of getting out after some real worth and the governorship of Ohio, dein six months. For a long while the ones of his own." speak even on abstract topics without drinking water was the cause of all our woes. Then the mosquito, after that the milk, now comes the fly. After that what?

Do you want us to live forever?" It will be a good thing for the human Dr. Crippen's desire to remain in hiding race if its anxiety regarding the diseasemay be due to a diffidence about inviting carrying qualities of the fly carry it into spasms of cleanliness. The "hysteria" from which a considerable part of the change my mind and go after a lawyer." operation might be accomplished under population is now suffering regarding this malevolent influence is one of the The brewers may rage and machine most wholesome things that have ever politicians imagine vain things, but Mr. happened in the history of sanitation. Bryan cannot be kept out of Indiana. He Unfortunately nothing that has been said has just been there. An immense audi- about the fly's powers as a conveyer of The salad green he did not spare ence greeted him Tuesday afternoon at filth and disease is exaggerated. It has

a resort near New Albany and listened the most solid basis in scientifically to a lecture. He was introduced by the ascertained truth. In fact, the main representative in Congress from the dis- trouble today is that half of the truth trict, who bestowed upon him the high- about the fly is not believed by the est praise, and suggested that, though average person, with the result that the He ordered many a frosty glass. three times defeated for the presidency, innocent-appearing little "ndisance" with which the world is so patiently familiar From Indiana Mr. Bryan crossed over is tolerated as merely an annoying pres-

straw. machine politicians share the objection In the search for causes of typhoid And when the ambulance drew night leader, but are quite as helpless respect- deniably gone from point to point, ap- Bent over him and heard him sigh;

been no elimination of the water or of

Common sense teaches that an insect brief expression from Mr. Bryan about act of hysteria then the sooner this en- chine betray us.

## Dr. Wilson and James Smith.

The New York Evening Post is now culty. It fears that Mr. Smith has a personal er we can always find a corner in the returning to the Senate as about electing place. If there is no table in the bed-Dr. Wilson governor. The Post there- room of a country hotel it is only necesfore would have the democratic state sary to pull out a drawer of the bureau. convention express a preference for sen-back again and the bottom will make an

the campaign, and was now asking the The first census was taken in 1790 and senatorship as his reward. Mr. Cleveto 1800, 1,400,000; from 1800 to 1810, 1,- to fill it. The machine answered that make, and then reminded him that he had accepted gladly all that Mr. Murphy had been able to do for him in his race chosen, and signalized his appearance in the Senate by co-operating with Mr. Cleveland's enemies in that body on the

tariff question, as did also Mr. Smith. now and profits by it, the New Jersey sible that the phenomenon known as the ship on a man of its fancy, and one in portant part in this census as in the powerless as Mr. Cleveland was seven-

Occasionally a man who is proof against national population. These returns are every other kind of a gold brick game discovers that he has written a large

check for a bogus art treasure, Dr. Leonard Wood is a general, while millions. There is no likelihood of it Dr. Roosevelt remains content with the

> The question, "What becomes of all the pins?" is scarcely more baffling than 'What becomes of all the libel suits?"

> If Zeppelin continues to blow up his outfits he may be persuaded to turn his attention to explosives.

> Unfortunately for the optimists, pleasant weather does not promote nearly as

## SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

## The Expensive Promoter. "That man's time is worth \$60 a min-

ute," said the mathematician. "More than that," replied the reckless investor. "He once gave me five minutes Uncle Joe Cannon has done all that is of his time when I was looking for adin mortal power to disabuse the minds of vice and it cost me several thousand dol-

Enlightenment.

"Won't you tell me something about this report that you preferred staying home and darning socks to acting?" said

"Certainly," replied Miss Frillington. "What material do you advise for darning?"

"Oh, that's an easy question. The lat est style of press agent's yarn."

## A Consolation. -

The hard luck lands an uppercut That jars us, in the base ball strife. Cheer up! We've had our troubles; but We've always saved the umpire's life.

The Practical Instinct.

"Why do so many children dislike mental "I suppose," replied the other, "it's

because a boy resents figuring on how

many imaginary apples a mythical John

A Disinterested Suggestion. "What did you say to the policeman who arrested you for speeding?" inquired "I told him I was going after a doctor."

replied Mr. Chuggins. "Did he believe you?" "I don't think so. He said that if I didn't want to pay a fine I'd better along those lines, presumably the political

## Defiance of Fate.

He ate clear through the bill of fare, And did so several times a day. And sweets he boldly put away. And when the hour of reckoning came, In accents sorrowing, but sure, He said: "The climate is to blame For all the suffering I endure."

In haste, for fear the draught might thaw. Sometimes in deluges 'twould pass His lips and sometimes through

From the Providence Evening Tribune. If the "best man for Governor of New York" is nominated, as the colonel in-sists he should be, it will be interesting The friends who gathered 'round about to read what the opposition says about "This weather's put me down and out!"

# ENCOUNTER WITH THE POLICE FIFTY YEARS AGO CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES

I answered him frankly and fully, and

showed him an open letter in the Rus-

sian language, addressed "to all whom

it may concern," and signed by Baron

as a person of respectability and his

personal friend for twenty-five years and

bespeaking for me such attentions and

"How did you come by this letter?"

asked the colonel. "And why did you

explained that he had asked for my pass

one bearing a great red seal, addressed

to the viceroy and commander-in-chief

for the telegram warning him about

British spies, which they examined closely

and discussed at length. The assistant

pointed out again that this telegram stat

obligations to write a newspaper letter

venience and economy of time and labor.

But he did not seem to comprehend, 1

his attention to the fact that Baron

from the Russian ambassador at Con-

stantinople, and all the other letters of

introduction, and that the envelope was

addressed to the viceroy by a machine.

This seemed to convince him and then he

morning. I told him it was a letter dated

Trebizond, describing that city and that

section of Asia Minor, dictated from mem-

oranda made in my notebook a few weeks

before while visiting that place. I ex-

that I was usually three weeks behind in

of the Trebizond letter to read. He passe

it over to his assistant, the captain, who

inclined to put it in his pocket, but

took it out of his hand and placed it back

that somebody had blundered and he

withdrew to the corridor for a discussion

with his assistant, the captain. During

the inquisition the conductor of the train

nad come in twice and interrupted the

conversation to remind the colonel that

it was time for the train to start. The

first time the colonel told him to wait

and if we had not "made good" we prob

the conductor appealed for orders he was

instructed to go shead, and the train had

There was loud talk in the corridor on

both sides. To all appearance the colone

was "roasting" his subordinate for having

good faith and judgment. By and by, the

recriminations having been completed,

the colonel came back into our compart-

triti lista, which he had retained after

the interview and made a handsome apol-

ogy. He hoped that I was not offended.

form which were often disagreeable, and

endeavored to perform them with as much

greatest reluctance that he had intruded

upon us to seek the necessary informa-

tion. I replied that it was equally dis-

agreeable to be under suspicion and

asked if he were satisfied of our identity

and harmlessness. He protested fluently

and handing me his card hoped to have

the honor of a better acquaintance and

The colonel had evidently fortified him-

self with vodka for the duty he had just

performed, and the fumes of that pungent

liquor filled the compartment. We saw

great deal of him the rest of the day. He

tried to make amends and was assiduous

in his attentions, but as he could speak no

English and none of us could speak Russian we kept the dragoman busy trans-

lating. We discussed all kinds of ab-

stract questions, and at bedtime he was

in a very mellow and congenial mood

When we bade him good night he again

apologized for having mistaken us for

English sples and declared very positive-

asked to be presented to the lady.

gotten him into a mess

and the subordinate was

shaking the telegram in his

face as evidence of his

been running at full speed for some min-

Finally it seemed to dawn on the co

in my portfolio.

inspected it as gingerly as if it had been an

every day, that I always

force as he uttered a tor-

BY WILLIAM E. CURTIS.

Special Correspondence of The Star and the Chicago Record-Herald.

MERV, Turkestan, June 21, 1910. It was our typewriter that got us into The colonel said: "Ah-h-h-h!" and drew a long breath. embellished with hotel labels from every cor-Then he began to reprimand his sub-

ner of the universe, al-Typewriter. ways attracts attention Louisville Tuesday. There is no report that has the habits of the fly is no and excites curiosity. People come up of the topics discussed or the conclusions fit occupant of a kitchen or a dining and look the labels over, compare them reached, but they must have talked poli- room. These habits are not guessed; they and point out the odd ones that appear at 45 cents per month; daily only, 25 cents per reached, but they hidst have taking at the line almost every human language. That are known. It is just as certain that in almost every human language. That is known that both expect democratic the fly is unclean in the most loathsome large class of tourists who consider hopassports and asked me a series of quesvictory in November, and believe that sense as that the vilest criminal ever tel labels on their trunks an evidence such a result should go far toward suc- haled before the bar of justice is an of culture admire it in enthusiastic undesirable companion for the young and terms, and never before did the faithful, A Courier-Journal reporter obtained a innocent. If the exclusion of the fly is an uncomplaining, never-out-of-order maof our business, etc.

matters should a democratic House be tire country becomes afflicted with an It has become a fixed habit of a busy chosen. In that event Mr. Bryan thinks epidemic of that disease the better for life to dictate a newspaper letter every the tariff will be the issue in the presi- its health and the worse for the doctors day. Whether affoat or ashore, afoot or a-horseback, whether in a luxurious hotel or in a mountain cabin, rain or shine, cold or hot, sick or well, that death-dous-part "scribe machine" is unlimbered A few days ago The Star called atten- and called into action for an hour and a A democratic House, with Mr. Clark in tion to the strange political association quarter or an hour and a half daily. the chair and the tariff the paramount of Dr. Woodrow Wilson with former Sen- Scarcely ever a day passes but the letter issue, should result in making Mr. Bryan ator Smith of New Jersey, and expressed is written; nothing but a catastrophe is ing newspaper letters; that I had no the paramount influence in the drafting the opinion that it might injure the for- allowed to prevent, because, you see, if prejudices, and was entirely fair and imof a new tariff bill. He and Mr. Clark mer in his presidential aspirations. The we don't write one letter today we have partial. are chums, and in perfect agreement on man who when in the Senate helped re- to write two tomorrow, and that's a the tariff as on the silver question. More- pudiate the platform upon which Mr. good deal of a job. Therefore, the revoover, as one of the men who helped Cleveland had been returned to the White lution of the earth and all the heavenly to be quite indignant that I had not draft the Wilson bill sixteen years ago, House is hardly the man for adviser to bodies are regulated by the daily letter handed it to him with my passport.

> disturbed over this association as respects In the Pullman cars at home tables Dr. Wilson's gubernatorial aspirations. are fitted between the seats; on a steamax to grind, and is thinking as much about dining saloon or some other semi-secluded Europe. Asia and Africa are so arranged along and set the typewriter upon that.

> > Mr. Newcome got out his machine, I got out my notebook, and we wrote a letter about the city of to be in doubt whether to believe me or Trebizond and the "Re-Suspicions. treat of the Ten Thou-

sand" Greeks under Xenophon, entirely unconscious of suspicion, although we noticed that the trainmen and the military officers on board were constantly passing by the door of our compartment, stopping each time for a moment or two to listen. We supposed they were prompted by ordinary curiosity Explanations until after we had finished the letter, put the scribe machine away in its inulated ourselves that the day's work was over. Then an officer in the uniform of a captain of the gens d'armie of Russia came in and began to ask questions in

As I do not understand that language, referred him to Michel Naskidoif, our iragoman, who answered his inquiries respectfully; told him who we were, where we came from, where we were going, and If Dr. Wilson accepts Mr. Smith's aid tried to satisfy his curiosity, but it was evident that he considered it a very suspicious circumstance that people should travel through the deserts of Central Asia with a typewriter and actually use

it upon a railway train. The officer looked very serious as he left us and went into another car. We were not aware that the secret police officer at Krasnovodsk, who had been so insolent the night before, had telegraphed my notes and offered him the manuscrip to the chief of the secret police at Ashkabad that three suspicious English travelers, two men and a woman, with a dragoman, were on that train. And we anarchist proclamation and was evidently were blissfully ignorant, also, that the aforesaid chief of the secret police had been occupying the compartment adjoining ours all day and had been watching us closely. Naskidoff notified the captain who had questioned him had reported to an officer in the uniform of colonel in the restaurant car, but we thought nothing of it.

About the middle of the afternoon while we were walking for exercise up ably would have been thrown out then and down the platform of and there, and perhaps cast into a damp a station the colonel ac- and gloomy dungeon; but the second time Passports costed me politely and invited me to enter the office. I pretended not to understand him and continued my walk. He followed me to the train and into our compartment, where he handed me a card bearing the following inscription in Rus-

sian characters: "Nicolas Vladimirrovitch Korobouakoff,

Commander of Gens d'armerie. Ashkabad District." In return I handed him my card. He apologized for intruding and asked to see our passports and the octriti lista, or permit to travel upon the Centra

Asia railroad, which had been obtained for us by the American ambassador from the ministry of war in St. Petersburg After he and his assistant, the captain who had questioned Naskidoff, had examined the papers closely, he remarked: "No: American," I replied with em-"Those passports were issued

by the government of the United States and not by the British government, as you will see by reading them," and pointed out the bird of freedom with its outstretched wings and the name of United States. He seemed to be much The captain nodded his head as if to say that we were English whether we were aware of it or not, and the two discussed the question in a very rapid conversation

Naskidoff could not understand all they said, but it was evident that the colone ing us to be English when he should have known by our passports that we were Americans, but the captain evidently did not know the difference between the two nations, nor the colonel either, for that matter, because he had pronounced the passports to be English nimself before I corrected him. I called his attention to the text of the permit which also described us as American citizens and began with the statement that ly, "We do not want any Englishmen out it was issued by the ministry of war at this way."

THE VARIOUS GOVERNORSHIPS.

President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton

says he would deem it his duty to accept the democratic nomination for Governor

of New Jersey if tendered him. Dr. Wil-

son finds it impossible to cure that old yearning for political preferment, and hanged if we don't hope he'll get it.

The reported refusal of Mayor Gaynor

to be considered for the nomination for

Governor of New York this fall will dis-

appoint many democrats who have re-

garded him as good presidential timber. The road from the New York city hall to

the White House has been supposed to

From the Memphis News-Scimitar.

From the Boston Advertiser.

years ago.

an anesthetic.

From the Houston Post.

From the Springfield Union

run through Albany.

## CANNON IN KANSAS.

From the Columbia State. An exchange, speaking of Nicky Long-We were about to remark that this time it is Cannon that has "broke loose clares that the republican convention in Kansas," but on second thought the couldn't nominate him and keep its face old saying probably needs no change. straight. Nicky may never get the gov-From the Philadelphia Telegraph. ernorship, but you can't separate him from the in-law whom he annexed some There is reason to believe that Speaker

Cannon would have preferred to slip that chipped ice down Vic Murdock's back. From the Milwaukee Journal "Not if I know anything about it," is "Behold me-Beelzebub," is the way Mr. Loeb's comment on his gubernatorial Cannon introduced himself down in Kanprospect. However, if party expediency, sas. Joseph could have conserved his or other considerations of a more general nature, strongly indicate the outcome

From the Buffalo News.

scald.

speech by the simple expedient of showing his hoofs and horns and established his identity without further cavil. From the Omaha Bee. It takes more than the muckrakers and a Kansas sun to put "Uncle Joe" out.

Many a man has calmly consigned Uncle Joe to the infernal regions. His swift come-back in Kansas shows that he can stand the climate if he does not have to talk too much. From the Syracuse Herald.

It was not surprising that Uncle Joe

should finally collapse from the heat, con-

sidering how long he had been warm in

the region of the collar. From the Duluth News-Tribune. Maybe it was not so much the heat that affected Uncle Joe in Kansas as the cold wave from his audience. Many another man has mistaken a frost for

From the Memphis Commercial-Appeal. Out in Kansas Uncle Joe lost his wind, but held on to his nerve.

Bridge jumping for sport and possible professional advantage was virtually unknown fifty years ago, but Bridge there was, nevertheless, no lack of that sort of daring enterprise. A par-

agraph in The Star of July 17, 1860, tells

ordinate, tapping the word "American" in thus of a pair of precocious bridgethe permit with his fore- jumpers whose names have never been finger with increasing linked with that of Steve Brodie: "On Saturday, we learn, two little boys rent of sounds that had named Walker and Coleman, ages, reno meaning to us. Then he folded up the spectively, about twelve and fourteen, leaped from the railing of the Aqueduct tions; the same that had been answered into the river at Georgetown, a distance by our dragoman through his subordinate of at least forty-five feet. It was wita few moments before, as to who we nessed by quite a number of persons and were, where we were going, the nature was fearful to look upon. Had they lost their equilibrium in the least it would certainly have resulted in instant death. It would be well for the authorities of Georgetown to look into the matter and Rosen, the Russian ambassador at Wash- at once put a stop to it before some

this daring example."

favors as might promote my mission. Baron Rosen explained that I was visit-Anxiety regarding the state of the Washington Aqueduct work, which preing Turkesstan for the purpose of writvailed fifty years ago, was not show it before?" And he appeared War. According to this order, which was reproduced in The Star of July 18, 1860, Capt. H. W. Benham of the Engineer Corps was detailed for duty as chief enport only, and that this letter was enirely unofficial, and only for the purpose gineer of the Washington Aqueduct, to of making things smooth for me in case have direction of all the operations for any question was raised about my identhe completion and preservation of the or my business. I took from the pocket of my bag other letters of introworks. Capt. M. C. Meigs, as disbursing duction to people in Turkestan, including officer of the works, was ordered to furnish the chief engineer with all the plans and estimates for the operations, He examined them carefully and was and also ordered to examine the works very much impressed. The letter to the viceroy seemed to stagger him, and he from time to time and "keep such genblamed me for not telling him who I was eral supervision of the works as to asand showing these letters in the first sure himself that they are being constructed according to his plans and esti-He inquired about the incident at the mates, and if at any time finding variarailway station at Krasnovodsk the pretions therefrom he will promptly report vious day and called upon his assistant

ed that we were Englishmen, and seemed A total eclipse of the sun was anthe telegram, but the colonel finally connounced by the astronomers for the 18th state commerce commission and the Canacluded that the zealous young officer who sent him that message might have been mistaken and changed the subject to ininterest was aroused in quire what we were doing with the type-I explained to him that I was under

rection, and, if necessary, to the Secre-

tary of War.'

"The eclipse came off yesterday mornother proof of the reliability of astro- commission will meet first in Ottawa and dictated it to a typewriter, and therefore nomical science. Smoked glass and all then in Washington in time to prepare carried a machine with other opaque substances were at a high endeavored to make it clear and called Rosen's letter was typewritten, also that eyes abounded on all hands; so much so western provinces. The London Times might have been mistaken, at first glance, for a community of 'bruisers.' Our venan admirable instrument for 'taking a as follows: asked what I had been writing that from a quadrant. Our John came into the editorial sanctum about 8 o'clock a.m. with a piece of leather which he had borplained my professional habits; told him rowed from one of his bootlegs, and Admiral through a circular aperture in which he had been studying the 'aspects,' full of an important discovery which he claimed he entire honor of having made. At this locality the face of the sun at the comwith fleecy clouds, which did nothing, formed by the two inferior planets, Mernaked eye. The next recurrence of this occasion of yesterday.

The following paragraph in The Star of June 21, 1860, is calculated to solace the pupils of the public schools of this city who feel that they are not Island sufficiently rested during the

summer vacation: trict schools broke up yesterday for the ted, writes the correspondent, that low become objects of ambition the general vacation. Just before the pupils of the school were dismissed one of their number stepped forward and presented their desire better trade relations with the beautifully illustrated copy of the works of Robert Burns. In accepting the gift ment, handed me the passports and oc- Mr. Thompson returned thanks happily and reminded the pupils of the great change which has taken place in the last This conviction is so deeply rooted in the ten years in the island district in the means which have during that time been placed within their reach for acquiring a sound and practical education. When he first took charge of this school there were but thirty pupils in it, and those thirty were all of the pupils then connected with the public schools of that district Now the number of pupils of the island

# WRITING FROM THE SEASHORE.

district amounts to upwards of 600.

She's got a letter started. It seems they sadly parted

The 30th of May. And when there's nothing better On hand for her to do

And writes a line or two Of course, when yachtsmen whistle

Or send ashore a hall, She drops the poor epistle And goes out for a sail. Of course, when she's invited The letter isn't slighted:

But when the rain clouds hover And no men are about.

And gets her letter out.

With ardor undiminished. She writes a line or two,
And hopes to get it finished
Before the summer's through.

—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## WHEN FATHER GOES TO SWIM.

You ought to be around some time Down by the ocean's brim And see the corkin' show we have When father goes to swim. 'Cuz father wants a lot o' room, And no one near to him; He wants the ocean to himself When he goes out to swin

He is so big and fat; He doesn't like the sun too well, And so he wears a hat. And father's bathin' suit fits close,
'Tain't none too big for him;
You can imagine how he looks
When he goes out to swim.

Now, father he's a wondrous sight,

He fusses if the water's cold, Or if the tide is high: He's scart to death of sharks and such, And if a crab is nigh
He paddles in up to his knees
And rubs his monstrous limb.
Oh. there is lots of sport on hand When father goes to swim!

That's when we laugh for good: 'Cuz pa he spits and flounders round Just like a porpoise would. We have to hide behind the boat, And keep our laughing dim; 'Cuz we would ketch it if he knew We're laughin' so at him.

A-swearin' pretty sound.
Then tries to blame it onto ma
'Cuz he a-most got drown'd.
And then he won't go in no more
For sev'ral days, not him.
Oh. but it's fun for us, you bet,
When father goes to swim!

Well, pa he fin'ly gets ashore,

litical stage at this moment. Questions source map of Canada recently published of the Atlantic fisheries pending between Great Canada and the United States are now being discussed at The

ernment has given instructions to American citizens who are engaged in the and an estimated coal content of 7,930,whaling industry "to disregard Canada's character, a fraction of only 400,000,000 claim to sovereignty and refuse to pay tons, can be classed as anthracite, the license fee."

From the same source there is reported discovery of remarkable reefs of gold at large amount of 26,000,000,000 tons of Stewart, at the head of Portland canal coal ranging from lignitic to bituminous. in British Columbia-"reefs of gold which would employ a thousand stamps for a hundred years."

coal field, named after its discoverer, a young Scotch-American who has been Edmonton in the country five years. ington, introducing and commending me thoughtless boy loses his life in imitating Portland canal is the most hortherly inlet on the Pacific coast, and forms the miles, and the estimates of total content boundary between British Columbia and based upon exposure is 71,000,000,000 Alaska. It is today witnessing one of the most extraordinary rushes of goldseekers, tons, ranging from lignite to lignitic coal. The town of Stewart, unknown a few Settlers are rapidly taking up these lands months ago, has now an estimated pop- and opening farms and ranches. The Caulation of 10,000, and building lots are nadian and Grand Trunk Pacific railroads Aqueduct set at rest by the issuance commanding fabulous prices. And there have entered the Alberta coal fields, and John B. Floyd, Secretary of "find" be true. "In some places," says the Canadian Pacific crosses the southern the story, "the vein runs 2,000 feet high part of this vast coal field, the existence and from thirty to 1,000 feet wide."

railway commission has just been an- they, the coal mine owners, would eas-

ommission; on the part of Canada, I. P. Mabee of the Dominion railway com- These prohibitions on expert are mainmission. The international commission is tained by the provinces which possess the result of the interchange of notes be- timber, and it is doubtful if they would tween the two governments with relation be withdrawn even in return for the to the necessity of united action in regulating rates, rendered necessary by the threshold, therefore, of any negotiaincreased traffic between Canada and the tion with Washington, Canadian minthe same to the chief engineer for cor- United States. The acquisition of Canadian terminals ity to grant that which is manifestly

of July, 1860, and great dian commission being insufficient. dian manufactured goods, as on carry of July, 1860, and great dian commission being insufficient. Inadian natural products, are almost Neither of these had power to establish fixed or reasonable through rates. To promotive, canadian that there should the event, for which the remedy this situation this joint interna- be a material modification of American scientists made elaborate tional commission was suggested. The duties before a fair basis of recipreparations. In The Star of July 19, commission will be given supervisory authority, either by concurrent legislation or thority, either by concurrent legislation or for concession on a limited number of by treaty, over all international transportation lines, whether by rail or water, being according to program, and was an- tween Canada and the United States. The reports and recommendations to be sub-In connection with the trade relations hours scientific observations through the between Canada and the United States. Reuter's agency reports the impressions of Admiral Sir Archibald Douglas, R. N. who has returned to England after an exstandpoints. Smutty fingers and black tended tour through Canada and the that the good citizens of this village reproduces the British admiral's remarks and the possibility that he was perhaps misinterpreted. Nevertheless the Times erable neighbor, Mr. John Sessford, used quotes the admiral as saying textually

> "Although the west was extending a hearty welcome every day to the thou-

might be, were not and be British subjects in the mencement of the eclipse was thinly shaded were making it increasingly hard for that when Washington goes to Canada Englishmen-or, better, Britons-to come or when Canada goes to Washington, a to Canada to carve out heritages for but any deep study of the situation themselves. The crux of the whole mat- suggests that Canadian ministers are though very much short of what would ter appeared to lie in the fact that while treading on dangerous ground. annexation to the United States was not ground, ones, Jupiter and Saturn, visible to the the bottom of many men's hearts, and the movement for inter-imperial prefmen who at that were holding responsi- erences will triumph ultimately.' eclipse will be on the 29th of July, 1878, ble positions under the crown. As long when the line of total darkness will ap- as that feeling existed in the minds of the letter of its correspondent, refers to proach nearer the north pole than on the those who were responsible for making the great changes that are taking place and enforcing the laws of Canada, just in Canada, and notes the rapidly moving so long did he think that the American events in the west, to keep pace with would be welcomed to the exclusion of which it was necessary to revise points

the Britisher The London Times correspondent from tal railways have been projected, to theories, but are guided by keen percost hundreds of millions, in order to ceptions of their practical interests. carry traffic from east to west to effect long as a region is purely agricultural yet with this situation negotiations are except as a means of inducing its neighopened with Washington. It is admit- bors to lower theirs. When industries tariff sentiment is stronger in the west point of view changes with the displacethan in the older provinces. "It is al- ment of the economical center of gravity. leged," he adds, "but this is less certain, that the western communities strongly

United States.' There has been no organized movement against the scale of duties now maintained by the Canadian government, but is believed that any general increase of duties would be strongly resisted. minds of the politicians of both parties that practically no one advances protection arguments west of Lake Superior.

The correspondent is of the opinion that conditions must change in the west. Al-Northwestern

have been planted at Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver. An anything that may be desired from Canthe smaller towns and cities. But west- President Taft, visiting Eastport, Me., ern industries must have a slow and painful struggle if they have to deal with there were many Canadians, said: the unobstructed competition of American factories. It was not impossible. therefore, that before many years have passed the west would feel the special tion with Canada will be well for the need of moderate customs duties in order countries, and if in the next year we can to its own people, and, as agriculture be- commercial relations shall be closer we comes more diversified, to afford local shall think ourselves fortunate." markets for its own farming population. a free American market, but the farmers are not unanimous, while market gar- mean the prosperity of the other. It was deners in the vicinity of towns would pleasant that all the controversies b oppose it. The lumbering interest is di- tween Great Britain and the United vided, but generally favorable to reci- States, which in the past had been many procity. The coal mine owners on the were settled or were in course of settle-Pacific desire a free American market. ment by arbitration, and this was the Those on the Atlantic feel they would first time in the history of the two counbe driven out of the upper St. Lawrence | tries that this could be said. market and could not secure a compensating market in New England. The coal fields of Alberta are vast and to be closer friends or greater rivals. constitute a resource not heretofore com-

Canada occupies the center of the po- | puted in the wealth of Canada. The reby the Canadian interior department cove ers a large part of the Alberta province. These remarkable coal fields are describe Britain, Newfoundland, ed in a paper, "The Coal Fields of Alberta," by D. B. Dowling, published in "Economic Geology No. 1, 1909." The author divides them into three formations, the Kootenai, the Belly river and The London Times correspondent writes the Edmonton. The Kootenai measures so far as known at present, exclusive of the Crow's Nest area, 288 square miles, 000,000 tons. This is mostly bituminous in In the Belly river formation 6,000 square miles are valuable, and this, with

four feet of coal, represents the very The Edmonton formation is almost & Stewart, we are told, is a prodigious continuous coal field. Its area in the

foothills is estimated at

2,000 square miles, and on the prairies at Formation. of which is a revelation that borders

Probably, writes the correspondent, The appointment of an international if free trade in coal were established nounced. On the part of tion. It is stated, adds the correthe United States is M. spondent, that America particularly de-A. Knapp, chairman of sires the abolition of prohibition and Commission. the interstate commerce restrictions on the export of pulp wood. But this does not lie in the power of free admission of Canadian paper into the American market. At the very isters will have to confess their inabil-

by American roads and the converse was a great desire. another question requiring discussion. The he adds, now compete vigorously with subject of rates was of serious interest to those of Canada, while the duties mainshippers, the proceedings before the interdian manufactured goods, as on Ca-

Moreover there is a strong feeling existing circumstances the Dominion should con-Canadian and make its ores, timwith the expression of some hesitation suming Canadian products. And the correspondent cites the fact that a great American industry, which is to add 10,000 to the population of Canada, decided to establish itself at Hamilton. ing tide of Americans flowing over the border. It was estimated that 250,000, 600 American dollars were now investsands of Americans who, ed in the Dominion. Financial institutheir ideas on tions generally and the great transthe subject of money portation lines were unfavorable to any such disturbance of conditions as

would result from a wide measure of reciprocity with the United States. "would be less dangerous if there were The London Times, commenting upon of view frequently. Its readers are reminded that men in these regions do not

A great part of the west, being still agricultural, is favorable to lov tariffs,

selves. But the west is changing. It is setting up a certain stage. The infant industries are handicapped by the competition of American factories, while they have no chance of getting their goods through capital itself is hastening the change of many important man- ada. Hence, adds the Times, when ufactures. Industries tariff revenue comes to be considered the United States will be expected to make

in the Mayflower, in a speech there the 19th instant to an audience in which to protect its own industries to give work come to any agreement by which our

The President added that we ha Many Canadian farmers would welcome reached a point when neither should be jealous, but the prosperity of one should Thus Canada and the United States have arrived at a point when they are CH. CHAILLE-LONG.

## THE NICARAGUAN PROBLEM.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal. One thing that the State Department ought to learn about the Nicaraguan of the strike bug. problem is that it is the Nicaraguan problem and not ours.

From the New York Tribune. The Department of State puts no credence in the report that Madriz has ordered all prisoners of war to be shot. Certainly if the Nicaraguan dictator were anxious to bring his dictatorship to an tween the Pennsylvania road and its emend through interference by the United

than the issuance of such an order. From the Baltimore Star. Nicaraguan bombast soars to mighty heights, but journalistic denunciation will not stir Secretary Knox one step from the consistent lines on which he is

working. From the Los Angeles Express Bluefields manages to get in the headlines often enough not to be entirely and

completely forgotten. From the San Francisco Chronicle. If an American enlists in Estrada's From the Columbia State. forces and is captured by Madriz, what

tary prisoners?

# THE SUMMER STRIKES.

From the Providence Evening Bulletin. From many parts of the land and from many trades come reports of the ravages

From the Columbus Evening Dispatch, Our Lady of the Snows has one thing that Uncle Sam has not, and we are very glad of it. That is a railroad strike. From the Council Bluffs Nonparell When it was stated that the trouble be-

ployes might be settled by the interven-States he could devise no better method tion of a "private citizen," whom do you suppose the reporters at once thought of as the "private citizen"? From the Indianapolis News. Or it might be said that the Grand

> From the Providence Journal. It is highly gratifying to learn that there is to be no strike on the Pennsylvania railroad. There ought to be no insuperable obstacle in the way of a peaceful settlement of the Grand Trunk trouble also.

Trunk is checked.

"When is the time to strike"? is the business is it of the United States if interrogative caption of an editorial. On Madriz treats him as he does other mili- general principles we should say before the other fellow does.